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Letter dated 21 February 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On instructions of my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a joint communiqué of the Consultative Summit between President Yoweri K. Museveni of the Republic of Uganda and President Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo together with the Amendment of the Agreement signed between the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Uganda at Luanda, Angola, on 6 September 2002 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Semakula **Kiwanuka**
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary,
Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations

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Annex to the letter dated 21 February 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Joint communiqué of the Consultative Summit between Their Excellencies President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni of the Republic of Uganda and President Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo

1. Their Excellencies, President Yoweri K. Museveni of the Republic of Uganda and President Joseph Kabila of the Democratic Republic of the Congo met in Dar es Salaam on 9 and 10 February 2003 to review the implementation of the Luanda Accord signed in Luanda, Angola, on 6 September 2002. The Government of the Republic of Angola was represented by His Excellency João Bernado de Miranda, Minister for External Affairs.

2. The meeting noted the deteriorating security and humanitarian situation in Ituri Province caused by the renewed hostilities between the armed factions. Their Excellencies reaffirmed their commitment to the implementation of the Luanda Accord. They agreed to establish a new framework for the work of the Ituri Pacification Commission (IPC).

3. It was agreed that the IPC Preparatory Committee would be composed of 2 representatives from the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2 representatives from the Government of Uganda and 2 representatives from MONUC and 4 representatives from the other stakeholders in Ituri region.

4. Their Excellencies agreed that the IPC should be constituted and commence its work on 17 February 2003, and shall conclude its work on 20 March 2003, to be followed by the total withdrawal of Ugandan troops from Ituri region.

5. The Heads of State decided to create a permanent consultative mechanism which will help them in following up on the situation in Ituri and to take appropriate actions to help them maintain a climate of peace and security in the region.

6. The Heads of State agreed that a Ministerial level meeting be held before 14 February 2003 to set up the modalities for the implementation of the IPC, in Luanda, Angola. This meeting will also examine the question of the political aspirations of the stakeholders in Ituri with the aim of submitting them to the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy to the ICD.

7. The meeting condemned those who continue to supply weapons to armed factions in the Ituri Region resulting in the escalation of violence and human suffering.

8. Their Excellencies President Joseph Kabila and President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni expressed their gratitude to His Excellency Benjamin W. Mkapa, the Government and people of Tanzania, for the warm reception and hospitality accorded to them and their respective delegations during their stay in Dar es Salaam.

Done at Dar es Salaam,
This 10th day of February, 2003.

Amendment of the Agreement signed between the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Republic of Uganda at Luanda, Angola, on 6 September 2002

After mutual consultation, the Heads of State of Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo have decided that the above-mentioned Luanda Agreement concerning the total withdrawal of Ugandan troops from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, normalization of relations and cooperation, be amended to provide for a new framework, for the work of the Ituri Pacification Commission (IPC) as set out in the attached, updated timetable.

Done at Dar es Salaam, this 10th day of February, 2003.

(*Signed*):

Hon. James Wapakabulo
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of the Republic of Uganda

Hon. Léonard She Okitundu
Minister of Foreign Affairs
of the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Witnessed: Hon. João Miranda
Minister for External Relations
of the Republic of Angola

Updated calendar for the Ituri Pacification Commission

D-Day 10 February 2003	Dar es Salaam Consultation Summit
D + 4 14 February 2003	Meeting at the Ministerial Level in Luanda, Angola with MONUC
D + 7 17 February 2003	Set up of Ituri Pacification Commission
D + 15 25 February 2003	Start of the Ituri Pacification Commission
D + 28 10 March 2003	Completion of the work of the Ituri Pacification Commission
D + 31 13 March 2003	Set up of the Mechanisms to maintain public order
D + 36 18 March 2003	Re-establishment of the Administrative Authority in Ituri
D + 38 20 March 2003	Withdrawal of Ugandan troops from Bunia